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Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

WASHINGTON, July 1.

COMPETITIVE EXAMINATIONS IN THE PATENT OFFICE.

Commissioner Fisher, of the Patent Office, has come to the conclusion that there are enough applicants for clerkships at the Patent Office to warrant competitive examinations, and has appointed a board of examiners, consisting of Messrs. Wm. Thomas, Jr., Chief Clerk of the Patent Office, Thomas Ewbank, Superintendent of the Model Room, and Wm. Hall, Principal Examiner. They were instructed to-day to prepare a list of questions, to be propounded to applicants, bearing upon the point in which it took place, to give written answers to the questions propounded, and to report to the Commissioner the result of their examinations. The questions will be prepared by Mr. Hall, and will be of a character to test the knowledge of the applicant in the particular branch of business in which he seeks employment. They will be propounded to Mr. W. S. Phillips, of Cambridge, N. Y., Postmaster, Mr. Hall, clerk, and Mr. A. C. Paulsen, Mr. Ewbank, clerk, and will be answered in writing by the applicants. The examination will be held in the room of the committee now occupied by Mr. Hall, and will begin on the 12th inst. Applications must be made to the Commissioner before that time, and will be received only from persons who are graduates of the Military Academy at West Point, or who have served in the army or navy of the United States during the late war. The examination will be open to all persons who may make application, and who may be found competent, without regard to sex. The Commissioner has not yet determined upon the number of clerks to be appointed, but about twenty will probably be appointed. The salaries will be from $1,200 to $1,800 per annum.

THE REPORT OF GENERAL WARREN AND HON. JAMES F. WILSON ON THE PACIFIC RAILROAD.

The fact that the public generally, and Congress in particular, desire information in regard to the condition of the Pacific Railroad, and the progress of the work, has induced the Secretary of War to order the publication of the report of General Warren and Hon. James F. Wilson, who were appointed by the President a Board of Engineers to examine the Pacific Railroad. The report is a voluminous document, and will be published in pamphlet form. It is dated Omaha, June 15, and is addressed to the Secretary of War. It says that the Board left Omaha on the 1st of May, and proceeded to Fort Sanders, Laramie Plains, Fort Halleck, Fort Bridger, Echo City, Fort Wasatch, Salt Lake City, Ogden, Promontory Point, Corinne, Fort Hall, Boise City, Fort Boise, Grande Ronde, Dalles, Portland, Vancouver, Olympia, Seattle, Steilacoom, Tacoma, Portland, Salem, Albany, Eugene City, Roseburg, Yreka, Shasta, Redding, Marysville, Sacramento, Folsom, Virginia City, Carson City, Genoa, Dayton, Reno, Wadsworth, Truckee, Cisco, Colfax, Auburn, Sacramento, Lathrop, Stockton, Lathrop, Livermore, Alameda, San Francisco, Oakland, Alameda, Livermore, Lathrop, Merced, Berenda, Fresno, Tulare, Visalia, Fort Tejon, Los Angeles, San Bernardino, Temecula, San Diego, Los Angeles, Santa Barbara, Gaviota, Santa Inez, Santa Barbara, Los Angeles, San Fernando, Newhall, Los Angeles, San Bernardino, Cucamonga, San Bernardino, Colton, Riverside, Temecula, San Diego

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Interesting Addresses by Eminent
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Nearly $3,000 Subscribed.

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Special Meeting Upon Their Property.

Action of the Board of Trustees.

Resolutions Adopted Unanimously.

Speeches of Prominent Members.

Interesting Meeting of Citizens.

Large Subscriptions Made.

Over $100,000 Secured.

Future Prospects of the Institution.

THE SOUTH SIDE.

Meeting of the Commissioners of Public Works.

Proposition to Lease Ground for Market Purposes.

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EDUCATIONAL.

Baptist Theological Seminary Commencement.

Orations by the Students and Address to the Graduates.

First Annual Meeting of the Baptist Theological Union.

Dedication of the New Seminary Building.

Interesting Addresses by Eminent Clergymen.

Nearly $5,000 Subscribed.

BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

The Baptist denomination in the North-west will on the future record yesterday as an epoch in the history of their Church. The Theological Seminary, for which they have so literally consecrated their Money, and for which they have prayed for many long months, was yesterday dedicated to the service of God. It was a day of rejoicing, and of importance enough to the faithful of the State to draw many of them from their homes in the country, and to swell the number of the assembly at the Seminary to a point of overflowing. Long before the hour appointed for the exercises to begin, the carriages were passing, and the pedestrians were thronging the road from the city, while from the cars which stopped at the Seminary platform, and from the boats which landed at the lake-shore, there poured a steady stream of human beings.

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[illegible] the charming hymn

"O God, our help in ages past,"

which was sung to the old tune

[illegible]

Rev. Dr. Lorimer, of Boston, Mass., a young minister, thirty-two years of age, of fine appearance, and of a scholar and a gentleman, then offered the opening prayer. He is a native of Nova Scotia, and is a graduate of Acadia College, N. S., and has been pastor of the Tremont Street Church, Boston, for the past three years. He is a man of fine culture, has been greatly admired in the East, and is considered a very able preacher. He is a brother of Rev. Dr. Lorimer, of this city.

Rev. George Mullen, of Stockton, Ill., then read the Scriptures, and prayed.

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Rev. H. M. Wakeman, of Belvidere, Ill., was announced to preach on the "National Theology of the Future," but was not present.

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SPORTING.

First Day of the Dexter Park July Racing Meeting.

A Large and Fashionable Audience in Attendance.

Three Exciting Contests--Wanzalla, Senita and Tertary the Winners.

Programme of To-Day's Races--Entries and Horses Entered.

Base Ball and Billiards.

THE TURF.

The first day's racing of the July running meeting, under the auspices of the Dexter Park Association, took place yesterday, the attendance being one of the largest and most fashionable ever seen on the ground. The weather was all that could be desired, being in consequence, very favorable for fast time. The track was in excellent condition, and the horses were well cared for, and in the best of trim. The entries for the first day's sport were not quite complete, and the programme was changed in consequence. The first race was announced to start at 2 o'clock, but it was nearly half an hour later before the horses were called to the post. The first race was for a purse of $200, mile heats, best three in five, in harness, open to all horses that had never trotted for money. The following were the entries:

[illegible] ch. m. Nellie, by [illegible]; dam by [illegible]. Owned by [illegible], Chicago.

T. Meeker entered ch. g. Jack, 5 yrs; [illegible] by Lexington; dam by [illegible]. Owned by T. Meeker, Chicago.

W. Bayne entered ch. m. Flossie, 5 yrs; by [illegible]; dam by [illegible]. Owned by W. Bayne, Chicago.

J. Corbin entered ch. h. Tertary, by Hiatt's Vermont Morgan; by Gilman's Gabriel, Vam, and dam by orange county.

BASE BALL.

INTERESTING VS. CLIFTONS.

The following is the score of a match game of base ball played yesterday afternoon on the Ashland avenue grounds, between the Interesting Club of the city, and the Cliftons of Bridgeport:

Interesting.	Outs.	Runs.
[illegible]	1	3
[illegible]	1	3
[illegible]	1	3
[illegible]	1	3
[illegible]	1	3
[illegible]	1	3
[illegible]	1	3
[illegible]	1	3
[illegible]	1	3
Total	9	27

Cliftons.	Outs.	Runs.
[illegible]	1	3
[illegible]	1	3
[illegible]	1	3
[illegible]	1	3
[illegible]	1	3
[illegible]	1	3
[illegible]	1	3
[illegible]	1	3
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THE ATLAS CHALLENGED.

The Atlas of this city has challenged the Forest Home of Rockford to play a home-and-home match game. The play ground is to be placed in Rockford on the 5th of July. A special meeting of the Atlas will be held on Saturday evening, at the 5th Division street, to make arrangements for the same.

THE 2ND SUCCESS' RECEPTION.

Chicago, July 1.—The weather is unfavorable, for three weeks there has been no day without rain, and the Cincinnati Base Ball Club on the grounds received them. Although it is very disagreeable, several thousand persons were present. The club played a pickled game, and beat them 62 to 24. On the 4th of July they will play the Atlas of this city. In fifteen innings. Play suspended in favor of the Atlas, 9 innings, 7 to 6; Forest City, 9 innings, 7; Mutual, 9 innings, 7; Forest City, 9 innings, 7; Mutual, 9 innings, 7; Forest City, 9 innings, 7; Mutual, 9 innings, 7